IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

FRIDAY, THE FIRST DAY OF APRIL
TWO THOUSAND AND FIVE

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE C.Y.SOMAYAJULU

WRIT PETITION NO : 3483 of 2005

Between:

1 Bobba Venkateswara Rao, S/o. Krishnaiah, R/o. Jauvvalapalem (V),

Kollur Mandal, Guntur District.
2 Gummadi Sambasiva Rao, S/o. Satyanarayana, Chintamotu Village, Bhattiprolu

Mandal, Guntur District.
3 Kancharla Subba Rao, S/o. Rajaiah, R/o. Juvvalapalem (V), Kollur Mandal, Guntur

District.
4 Divi Jaganmohan Rao, S/o. Pedasubbaiah, Tippalakatta Village, Kollur Mandal,

Guntur District.

..... PETITIONERS

AND

1 The Govt. of A.P., rep. by its Secretary, Irrigation Department, Secretariat,

Hyderabad.
2 The Govt. of A.P., rep. by its Secretary, Ground-water Department, Secretariat,

Hyderabad.
3 Director, Ground Water Department, BRKR Govt. Offices Complex,
8th Floor, B-Block, Tankbund Road, Hyderabad.
4 The Deputy Director, Ground-water Department, Ramannapeta, 1st Line, IV Cross

Road, Guntur.
5 The Superintendent Engineer, Irrigation Department, Opp: Collectorate, Guntur.

6 The District Level Sand Committee, Guntur.
7 The District Collector, Guntur.
8 The District Panchayat OFficer/Member Convenor, District Level Sand Committee,

Guntur.

.....RESPONDENTS

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed herein the High Court will be pleased to issue an order, direction or writ, more particularly, one in the nature of Mandamus declaring the action of the 6th and 8th respondents in seeking to conduct auction of sand quarrying rights in Reaches 6 and 7 of Kollur Mandal in Guntur District through Advertisement R.C.No. 675/2005-G2, dated 6-2-2005, for being illegal, arbitrary, violative of the provisions of the A.P. Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 1966 the A.P. Water, Land and Tress Act, 2002 the rules framed thereunder, the River conservancy Act, 1884 and unconstitutional and consequently direct the respondents not to conduct auction of sand quarrying rights in Kollur Mandal till the ground water regime improves and pass such other orders as may deem fit.

Counsel for the Petitioner:MR.CH.RAVINDRA BABU

Counsel for the Respondent No.: GP FOR PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEV.

The Court made the following :

ORDER:

In view of the letter addressed by the learned counsel for the petitioner to the Registrar (Judicial) seeking withdrawal of the writ petition, the writ petition is dismissed as withdrawn.

01-04-2005

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9 Two CCs to GP for Panchayat Raj and Rural development, High Court buildings,

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